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In re Application of :
Porter et al. :
Application No. 10/057,400 : DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Filed: 24 January, 2002 :
Attorney Docket No. OPD002CP-1 :

This is a decision on the petition submitted by facsimile on 27 August, 2002, requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of 24 January, 2002, instead of the presently accorded filing date of 5 June, 2002.

As previously stated in the Notice of File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted (Notice) mailed on 20 February, 2002, the above-identified application has been accorded a filing date of 24 January, 2002. The record supports applicants' assertion that the United States Patent and Trademark Office erroneously changed the application filing date to 5 June, 2002, the date of applicants' response to the Notice. The Office apologizes for the error and regrets any inconvenience to applicants.

The petition is granted.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for correction of the filing date to 24 January, 2002, and the mailing of a corrected filing receipt.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at 703 308-6918.

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